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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: DL LEGELS FOR FY 76

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B. STATE 279137

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D. SECTO 481

E. CINCPAC 272222Z DEC 74

F. JAKARTA 14372

1. IF DECISION RE ELIMINATION OF DL FOR INDONESIA
IN FY 76 IS TO BE RECONSIDERED PER REF A, WE URGE
THAT ALL INTERESTED WASHINGTON AGENCIES ALSO CAREFULLY
REVIEW POSSIBLE DISADVANTAGES TO US INTERESTS, PARTICULARLY
LOS AND ICCS, IF TOP-LEVEL INDONESIANS, AGAINST BACKGROUND OF
HIGH-LEVEL US ASSURANCES TO INDONESIA (E.G., REFS C AND D),
SHOULD REACT VERY NEGATIVELY TO SUCH USG DECISION FEARING THIS
WILL BE FIRST STEP TOWARD END OF IGGI FRAMEWORK AND LEVELS
OF ASSISTANCE. (THIS PROBABLY EXPLAINS UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG RE-
ACTION OF WIDJOJO, PER REF F, TO NEWS RE REDUCED DL LEVEL
FOR FY 75).

2. IF DECISION RE DL LEVEL FOR FY 76 IS TO STAND,
WE THOROUGHLY AGREE WITH POINTS IN REF E RE NEED TO BEGIN
ADVISING GOI LEADERS OF SUCH DECISION SOON AFTER AMBASSADOR'S
RETURN.

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3. IN LINE WITH REQUEST AMBASSADOR MADE BEFORE WE ADVISED OF

DECISION RE DL FOR FY 76, WE HAVE ALREADY REQUESTED APPOINTMENTS
FOR AMBASSADOR WITH MALIK AND WIDJOJO WITHIN WEEK AFTER HIS
JANUARY 4 RETURN. IT IS, IN ADDITION, POSSIBLE AMBASSADOR WILL BE ASKED
BY PRESIDENT SUHARTO ON JANUARY 9 (ASSUMING PRESIDENT ABLE RECEIVE

SENATORS THURMOND AND SCOTT AND AMBASSADOR THAT DAY) ABOUT

HIS RECENT CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD THEREFORE LIKE TO REINFORCE
AMBASSADOR'S REQUEST IN REF E AND ASK THAT DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS
ON REF E BE RECEIVED HERE, IF POSSIBLE, BY C.O.B. (JAKARTA
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